

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough consideration provided the present application. Claims 1-19 and 21 are allowed. The specification, abstract and claim 21 have been amended. Entry of the above amendments to the specification and abstract is earnestly solicited.

Interview With The Examiner

An interview was conducted with the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application on August 9, 2005. Applicants greatly appreciate the courtesy shown by the Examiner during the interview.

In the interview with the Examiner, Applicants' representative proposed amendments to replace the term "central bearing" with "central axial line" in the instant application. The Examiner indicated that such amendments will not involve substantive changes.

Specification & Claim Amendments

The specification, abstract and claim 21 have been amended to conform to the changes made in the claims in the last Amendment filed April 6, 2005. In particular, the term "central bearing" in the entire application has been replaced by the term "central axial line". Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter is entered and no substantive amendment is made. Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited.

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CONCLUSION

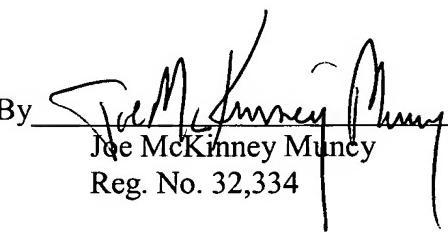
In the event there are any matters remaining in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Joe McKinney Muncy, Registration No. 32,334 at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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